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WELLINGTON CITY EMPOWERING.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to enable the Council of the City of Wellington to enter into certain Special Arrangements relative to Water-supply, and to raise a Loan for Cemetery Purposes, and reducing the Width of Private Streets in the City of Wellington, and for other Purposes. Title.

WHEREAS an arrangement has been come to between the General Government and the Council of the City of Wellington, subject to the approval of Parliament, for a reduction in the price usually charged by such Council for the supply of water: And whereas an arrangement has also been come to between the said Council and the J. Kitchen and Sons and Apollo Company (Limited), subject to the like approval, whereby, in consideration of such company allowing the said Council to divert for drainage purposes the waters of a certain stream flowing through the premises of the said company at Newtown, the Council was and still is willing to supply the company with water from the Council's waterworks at a reduced price: And whereas the Council is desirous of providing additional cemetery accommodation: And whereas, owing to the hilly character of the City of Wellington and other causes, the requirements of the section of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," as to the width of private streets have been found to be excessive: Preamble.

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. The Short Title of this Act is "The Wellington City Empowering Act, 1889." Short Title.

2. The price to be charged by the Council of the City of Wellington for the supply of water to the General Government of New Zealand from the waterworks of the Council, for whatever purpose used, Water-supply to Government.

shall, for the term of ten years, computed from the coming into force of this Act, be the uniform sum of eightpence per one thousand gallons. The said General Government shall, during the said period of ten years, obtain from the said Council all water required by it for whatever purpose and which can be supplied from the said Council's waterworks; and the said Council shall not during that period refuse to supply the said General Government with water from such waterworks. 5

Arrangement with the company.

3. It shall be lawful for the said Council to reduce the price for water to be supplied to the J. Kitchen and Sons and Apollo Company (Limited) for purposes for which one shilling per one thousand gallons is now usually charged by the Council, to the sum of fourpence per one thousand gallons, to the extent of twelve thousand gallons per day for a term of five years, computed from the date of the completion of the arrangements herein referred to, in consideration of the company permitting the Council to divert, for drainage purposes, the waters of the said stream flowing through the premises of the company at Newtown. 10 15

Loan for cemetery purposes.

4. It shall be lawful for the Council by special order, without taking any poll of the citizens as provided in Part IX. of "The Municipal Corporations Act, 1886," to raise by way of special loan, under the provisions of the said Part of the said Act, a sum or sums not exceeding in the whole *seven thousand five hundred* pounds, to be appropriated to the purpose of providing an additional cemetery or additional cemeteries, and for any other purposes incidental thereto contemplated by "The Cemeteries Act, 1882." 20 25

Cemetery may be established in neighbouring borough.

5. It shall be lawful for the said Council to provide, establish, and use any cemetery or cemeteries within the limits of any borough or boroughs in the vicinity of the City of Wellington, provided the Council of any or every borough within which it is proposed so to establish any cemetery shall first consent thereto by special order. 30

Width of private streets.

6. From and after the coming into force of this Act the minimum width of private streets to be laid out or dedicated to the public within the City of Wellington shall be *forty* feet, measured at right angles to the course thereof. 35